



WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 10, 1908

## MR. CARLIN RENOMINATED.

While it was generally conceded hereabouts that Hon. C. C. Carlin would yesterday be nominated to succeed himself as Representative in Congress from this district, but few of his supporters were so optimistic as to entertain the idea that he would roll up the majority he received. The result proved to be an avalanche in his favor. He carried every county except Louisa and Orange, the former the home of his opponent, Mr. R. L. Gordon. The friends of the latter have, as good democrats, accepted the voice of the people as final and will vie with those of Mr. Carlin in making the vote as large as possible next November. The contest between Mr. Carlin and Mr. Gordon has been a struggle within the party, and now that it is over and the result announced, the champions of both are as earnest democrats as ever and are lined up in solid phalanx for the nominee. There has never at any time during the congressional campaign been any issue before the democrats of this district. Two good and able representatives of the party had been before the people, one naturally desirous to succeed himself in Congress, having served but six months, and the other equally desirous of becoming a congressman. Mr. Gordon had come in second at the congressional election last summer, and he assumed that inasmuch as Mr. Carlin had received the nomination on a plurality vote, the latter would be unable to cope with him in a single combat. His calculations, however, proved misleading, as will be seen by Mr. Carlin's phenomenal majority. As has heretofore been shown in the Gazette, there are many reasons why Mr. Carlin should have received this nomination. To have set him aside would have been a departure from a practice long in vogue in the Eighth district, and there would have been no reason for such a course. Mr. Carlin during the short time he has represented this district has devoted his time and labor to the interests of his constituents, and will continue to do so. His many friends in Alexandria and throughout the district rejoice with him in his renomination.

Continued indignation is being expressed at that part of the speech of Secretary Taft at the tomb of General Grant on Memorial Day, which charged Grant with too much fondness for whisky. Mr. Taft tries to quiet his critics by explaining that he wished to emphasize Grant's eventual triumph over temptation, but his enemies retort that he was not at Grant's tomb on Decoration Day to extol abstract moralities from alleged facts, but to celebrate the military achievements of Grant. It is probable that Taft was throwing a sop to the prohibition sentiment, which has become so intense that a candidate for president he thought he could hardly ignore it. But, Mr. Taft, like other politicians before him, has discovered that the prohibition issue is a two edged sword and will wish he had let it alone.

An esteemed contemporary gives vent to this piece of wisdom: "With a special committee of a republican congress investigating the currency problem, and the ways and means committee of a republican house studying the tariff schedules during the presidential campaign, it seems unlikely that the republican campaign fund will be small or hard to gather. Besides, there is the practical man who knows when to shoo and how to milk the corporations." In view of the story of Roosevelt's deal with the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad, this seems to be personal.

As might have been expected Secretary Cortelyou has yielded to the bankers of the large cities and decided to charge only 1 per cent. interest on government deposits. The election is coming on and the republicans need contributions.

Should Mr. Gordon ever again be a candidate for office he will probably have less to say about "a subsidized press."

## From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, D. C., June 10. Only in an "eccentric figure of light" may Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, ever be able to distinguish day from night, never can he discern the faces of his wife and child. Such is the conclusion of the specialist who has been treating the senator at a hospital in this city for the last week, on the faint hope that sight might be restored to the blind statesman. Had the Oklahoma man submitted to treatment years ago, there might have been hope, but the oculist found that time had erected insurmountable barriers that will forever keep out the light. Senator Gore has left the hospital, but will remain in the city another week that one or two more treatments may be given to his eyes.

Booker T. Washington called upon Secretary Taft this morning and will call at the White House this evening at the president's invitation to discuss the affairs of the African republic of Liberia. The delegates made an appeal to Secretary Root for assistance in their troubles, particularly the establishment of a boundary which is being encroached upon by neighboring colonies. It was denied that the conferences will have anything to do with politics but the president's invitation is looked upon as a significant move in view of the problem of the colored vote which seems to confront Taft's managers in Chicago. It is recognized that any presidential attention to Booker T. Washington might, at least, have a sensational effect upon colored voters, who have been argued into hostility toward Taft.

President Roosevelt is not backing the vice-presidential boom of Secretary Cortelyou. This statement was made at the White House today. Assistant Secretary Coolidge of the Treasury Department, who has the Cortelyou boom in charge had a talk with the president today before he started for Chicago, where he is going, it is said, to take care of Mr. Cortelyou's fences. "Mr. Cortelyou's name will not be presented to the convention unless we are very certain that he will win," said Mr. Coolidge. "I cannot tell how the ground lays until I get out there."

The president's yacht Sylph has sailed from Washington for New York where she will be in readiness to convey Mrs. Roosevelt and children from Jersey City to Oyster Bay some time the latter part of next week. They will probably leave Washington for the summer a few days ahead of the president who expects to remain here during the Chicago convention and until about June 20.

Senator Borah, of Idaho, after a talk with the president today, predicted that Senator Dooliver, of Iowa, would be vice-presidential nominee at Chicago.

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans has been granted three months' leave by the Navy Department because of ill-health. Accompanied by Mrs. Evans and other members of his family, the admiral, who was relieved of the command of the Atlantic fleet on May 9, left today for their summer home at Lake Mohonk, N. Y., where the admiral will be given special treatment at a sanatorium.

Mr. Joseph Leiter and Miss Juliette Williams were married at noon today in the apartments of the bride's parents in the Connecticut. At the wedding Miss Williams' only attendant was her young sister, Miss Francis Williams. Mr. Roman Baldwin, a classmate of Mr. Leiter, at Harvard, was best man, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. E. L. Buckley, assistant rector of St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Miss Williams is a daughter of the late John Williams, who was married to her in 1904. The marriage could not therefore take place in the church. It was learned today that the bride's father had been given to "Joe" Leiter by his mother and that he will present the house to his bride.

Secretary Taft, as president of the Red Cross, announced today the receipt of a contribution characterized as "phenomenal" from the House of Representatives. No institution is given of the amount of the contribution, but it is said to be large. In addition \$5,000 has been received from the Russell Sage fund for carrying out the arrangements for the co-operation of various charity organizations in the Red Cross in active relief after disasters. Ernest P. Rockwell, superintendent of the Chicago Bureau in the Red Cross, has been appointed national director and the work has been divided into three departments—war, emergency and international relief.

Secretary Strauss, of the department of commerce and labor, has set in motion the machinery of the bureau of labor to investigate the situation in the telegraph and telephone companies. This is in accordance with a resolution of Congress.

Public Printer Leach has appointed William J. Dow his private secretary, succeeding Clifford Rose, who held a similar position with Charles S. Stilling.

Before leaving for Chicago today, Col. "Fife" Hepburn, dean of the Iowa delegation in the Chicago election, expressed his belief that Senator Dooliver would not sacrifice his prospects in the Senate for the vice-presidential nomination. Col. Hepburn is a Cortelyou man.

## REUNION OF CONFEDERATES.

Amid great enthusiasm the annual reunion of Confederate Veterans was called to order at 10 o'clock yesterday at Birmingham, Ala., by Major General George P. Harrison, commanding the Alabama division of the Confederate Veterans. Two hundred children, accompanied by the reunion band, sang southern airs while the veterans cheered. Major General Harrison on the stage was surrounded by General W. L. Cabell, of Texas; General Clement Evans, of Georgia; General Tyler, and other prominent officers and representatives of the local veterans, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy, local citizens' committees and the band and children's chorus.

A gloom was cast over the reunion by the recent death of the commander in chief, Gen. Stephen D. Lee, who was to have presided over the meetings of the veterans, and whose annual address had already been prepared. This address was printed and distributed to the veterans yesterday, but the reading of it was postponed on account of the extreme heat.

In his speech, George O. O. Wright protested against the branding as deserters of those officers who resigned from the federal navy to join that of the Confederacy, and he called upon his comrades of the U. C. V. to help have those records corrected.

## MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Elections were held for municipal officers in the several cities and towns of the state yesterday and in nearly every instance the regular democratic nominees were chosen.

In Norfolk the good government faction, after eight years of control of the city government, has been swept from power by the regular democratic ticket, headed by Dr. James G. Hildick.

George R. Geary, republican, defeated Mayor M. E. Stickle, of Woodstock, for re-election by a majority of two. This is the first time a republican has been elected as mayor of Woodstock for a number of years.

Great interest was taken in Winchester in the election, in view of the fact that strong efforts were put forth to draw the line between "wets" and "drys."

The democratic ticket for mayor, recorder and councilmen was elected, although the citizens' league ticket, which was backed principally by republicans, polled a large vote.

In Frederickburg H. Lewis Wallace was elected mayor over Harry Warden.

## New York Stock Market.

New York, June 10.—The stock market opened irregular but prices as a rule were a shade lower. After some concessions the market became dull and during the first half hour advances of over one point were made in nearly all the leading issues.

## News of the Day.

George B. Cortelyou is said to be the Taft-Roosevelt choice for the nomination for vice-president.

John S. Leach yesterday qualified as public printer by taking the oath of office in Washington.

The Oregon democratic State convention yesterday instructed its delegates to Denver to vote for Bryan.

A four-masted schooner with 11,000 dozen pineapples arrived at Baltimore yesterday from Tarpan Bay.

Empress Augusta Victoria while riding with Emperor William in Berlin today, was thrown from her horse and slightly injured.

The big steel trust has decided on a reduction in the price of steel products and iron ore. The price of steel rails is not included, however.

The first annual meeting of the descendants of the signers of the Declaration of Independence will be held in Philadelphia on July 3 and 4.

It has been openly charged that Baltimore packers have formed a combination to keep down prices and prevent the free movement of produce in the open market.

Grigori, who shot Major Dreyfus at the Pantheon in Paris, in an examination yesterday declared he committed the act voluntarily and assumed all responsibility.

One man lost his life, three firemen were seriously injured, 45 houses were destroyed and property valued at more than \$150,000 was destroyed in two fires in New York today.

President Lieberman, in addressing a convention of the United States Brewers' Association, at Milwaukee, yesterday, made a plea for the open, legalized saloon, attacking prohibition and confiscation.

Fighting between the Japanese troops and the Korean insurgents continues and between June 3 and June 9 there were 25 engagements, in which 113 insurgents were killed and 26 taken prisoners.

Sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his wife, Jim Richardson, a negro, asked the court in Atlanta, Ga., if he could not be hanged, and that right away. The court did not grant the request.

Henry Lemoyne, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses in alleging that he could manufacture diamonds, failed to produce in a Paris court a diamond of a specified size of his own manufacture.

"The marriage of my sister, Mme. Anna Gould, to Prince de Sagan is to take place with the full consent of all the Gould family. I expect to attend it while abroad," said Geo. Gould yesterday, as he boarded a steamer at New York for Bremen.

Col. John F. Finerty, editor of the Chicago Citizen, lecturer, politician, soldier and renowned as a leader in the Fenian raids on Canada in the late sixties, died in Chicago today after six months' illness. He served in Congress from 1883 to 1885.

James M. Burnett, the Bristol, Va., midget, recently announced as the smallest Old Fellow in the United States, married Miss Lou Nabors, another midget, at Marietta, Miss., yesterday. Owing to opposition in the Nabors family the couple eloped.

Senator Thomas Gore, the blind senator from Oklahoma, learned yesterday in Washington, that his eyesight is lost forever. Observation and treatment during the last week has developed that medical science, by an operation or treatment, is unable to restore his sight, and hope of this has been abandoned.

The Misses Ethel and Margaret Roosevelt, daughter of and second cousin to the president respectively, were among the bridesmaids at the wedding of Miss Georgianna Harding Farr to Fletcher H. Sibley, of New York at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, held at West Orange, N. J. this afternoon. The best man was Thomas Spencer of New York.

Leroy Pales, the 22-year-old son of Warren Pales, the millionaire manufacturer of Pawtucket, R. I., in a deposition read in court today admitted the truth of the allegations in which his father names him as co-defendant in a suit for divorce against the youth's step-mother.

## INDICTMENTS RETURNED.

After an investigation lasting a week, the grand jury in the United States District Court in Richmond yesterday afternoon returned indictments against the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, Alexander P. Gilbert, assistant general freight agent of the railway, and W. R. Johnson, a local grain dealer, charging violations of the interstate commerce act.

The indictments follow an investigation by Commissioner Lane, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in February. Each indictment contains nine counts, in which it is set forth that the parties accused combined for the purpose of giving and receiving rebates, to the financial loss of the Seaboard Air Line, the Atlantic Coast Line, the Norfolk and Western, and other connecting lines of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

The grain shipments were made to southern points, to which, it is alleged, Johnson was given a rebate of 3 cents per 100 pounds less than required under the contract agreement of the several common carriers.

District Attorney Lewis declined to name a date for the trial of the several cases, stating that the grand jury had not completed its investigation. This is taken to indicate that other shippers and officials are implicated in the alleged violations, and that the jury will examine every case reported by Commissioner Lane involving other Richmond shippers and other and higher railroad authorities.

It was charged in Commissioner Lane's investigation that shipments of grain from western points were rebilled in Richmond and allowed to proceed south as through shipments, this saving Johnson, to whom the consignments were made in Richmond the local rebate between the through and the local rates.

It is alleged that through the rebate thus allowed by the Chesapeake and Ohio the congested lines were fraudulently deprived of thousands of dollars in revenue. Nearly all of the grain was shipped to points in North Carolina.

Johnson appeared in court yesterday afternoon and was bailed in the sum of \$2,500 for his appearance Friday morning, when Judge Lewis stated the grand jury would be prepared to return its action in all other cases.

## Today's Telegraphic News.

## Party Conference.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Rosnoke, Va., June 10.—A conference of party leaders was held early this afternoon at the Ponce de Leon Hotel at which it was decided after a full and frank interchange of views that in the interests of the movement to instruct the delegates to Denver it would be wise to go further than the mere endorsement of Wm. J. Bryan and it was decided to bring in a resolution not only endorsing him but morally binding the Virginia delegation to vote for his nomination. This action is regarded as a defeat for the leaders, who had planned to gloss over the matter of instructions and to secure the passage of a resolution of mere endorsement of the Nebraskaan, leaving the delegation free to vote as they choose.

A participant in the conference said after it was over that the difference between the resolution it was decided to present and a straight resolution for instructions was simply technical, and that no man of honor could fail at Denver to support Bryan. This compromise it is hoped will prevent any factional fight in the convention, and it is further hoped that Senator Daniel will be relieved of embarrassment. Whether the instructed delegates will agree to the compromise remains to be seen. But inasmuch as Bryan's nomination is already a foregone conclusion and further, since discord in the party is to be deplored, it may be that the Bryan men will acquiesce.

## Death of O. H. P. Belmont.

Hempstead, L. I., June 10.—Olive H. P. Belmont, after a week's struggle for life against peritonitis, which succeeded an operation for appendicitis, died here today at 6:40 a. m.

Since yesterday Belmont had been in a state of coma, and when his physician, Dr. Langhart, after an all-night vigil, decided shortly before daylight that dissolution was near, the family was called to the bedside of the dying millionaire. Just after sunrise there came a brief period when it was thought consciousness would return to the rapidly sinking man, but the gathering of the vital forces proved only momentary and then the coma became more profound than ever. The end came peacefully.

Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont, the youngest son of the late August Belmont, was born in 1853. His first wife was Sarah Swan Whitney. She divorced him and married George L. Rives, a corporation lawyer. Miss Natica Rives, whose mysterious death in her home on Fifth avenue, last February, caused such a sensation, was a daughter of O. H. P. Belmont. Her name was changed to Rives after her mother had married the second time. Oliver Belmont was graduated from the naval academy and performed active duty on the Kearsarge and other vessels, resigning his officership to interest himself in politics.

In 1900 he was elected to Congress from the Thirtieth New York district. When the Spanish war broke out Belmont offered to supply a dynamite torpedo boat and place it in commission within ninety days. His offer was refused. The estrangement of Oliver Belmont and his brothers, August and Perry, was caused by Oliver marrying Mrs. Vanderbilt.

## The Republican National Committee.

Chicago, June 10.—Organized opposition to the nomination of Secretary Taft admitted itself so badly split today that the Taft followers say the scramble to climb on the bandwagon had begun.

According to the latest calculations Secretary Taft will receive on the first ballot 551 votes or sixty more than enough to give him the nomination, providing the convention does not override the decisions now being made in contested cases. One week ago, the allies conceded that Taft would have 359 delegates on the temporary roll. Since then the national committee has added ninety-two votes to the Taft column, by seating delegates in contested cases who are either instructed for or pledged to Taft. There remain to be decided contests for 133 seats. The allies believe that Taft will get at least 100 of those. Manager Hitchcock expects that his candidate will get practically all of them.

The combined eleventh and twelfth districts of Missouri were the first cases taken up today.

The committee decided not to seat the Hughes delegates of the 11th and 12th districts of Missouri, declaring in favor of the Taft delegates. An attempt was made to have the 11th and 12th Missouri districts' vote split, but the motion was lost by a voice vote.

The Taft delegates at-large from North Carolina were seated by the committee. The Taft delegates in the first North Carolina districts were also seated, making a net gain for Taft for the day of ten delegates.

The Taft delegates in the Second and Third North Carolina districts were seated.

## The Plague in Venezuela.

Willemstad, Curacao, June 10.—The worst feature of the plague situation in Venezuela today is the danger of Porto Cabello, the chief open port, becoming infected, thereby shutting off water communication with the outside world. While the people of Porto Cabello have erected a pest house and are patrolling the town to see that no refugees enter, the spread of the disease is such that it will be almost impossible to maintain an effective quarantine. Two new cases are reported from Caracas today and the situation at La Guayra is acute. The paralysis of business in these places has thrown hundreds out of employment and their exodus to interior towns is likely to cause a further spread of the plague.

## To Be Married in England.

Paris, June 10.—Friends of Mme. Gould said today that her wedding to Prince Helio de Sagan would take place in England. While she would much prefer to be married in France, it is said that she is afraid of some unpleasant incident, resulting from the anger of Count Boni de Castellane, her divorced husband, between whom and de Sagan, his cousin, there is the bitterest enmity.

## Motor Boat Race.

Hamilton, Bermuda, June 10.—All doubt as to whether the Alisa Craig would win the cup in the motor boat race from New York to this port was dispelled today when the Irene II., which had been given a time allowance of 17 hours and 20 minutes, failed to put in an appearance. The Irene II. is supposed to be held back by head seas.

## Horsewhipped by a Woman.

San Jose, Cal., June 10.—Police here and in San Francisco are searching for Dr. Lawrence H. Meadows, surgeon of the steamship Manchuria, and his wife who publicly flogged Robert S. Field, a wealthy citizen of San Jose, in the streets here. Meadows and his wife called upon Field who is a well-known merchant and demanded \$4,000 for the alleged alienation of Mrs. Meadows' affections. Field promptly refused to settle and the husband, drawing a horse whip from under his coat handed it to the woman who demonstrated her love for Field by thrashing him soundly.

## The Mills-Reid Wedding.

London, June 10.—Ogden Mills of New York, arrived in London today to attend the wedding of Miss Jean Reid, daughter of Whitelaw Reid, the American Ambassador, to the Hon. John Warr. The array of bridal presents that is being received by Miss Reid is one of the most beautiful and costly ever seen in London. Not only are her American friends remembering her with lavish gifts, but the king and queen and nearly all of the members of the English royalty have sent costly presents.

## Explosion of Gas.

Philadelphia, June 10.—Lives of hundreds of shoppers were endangered today as a result of a terrific explosion of gas in a main in the centre of the retail district. The flames shot high in the air and imperilled surrounding stores. Only the presence of mind of Foreman Noll checked the flames. The working gang had fled in terror, but the foreman forced them back in the trench and directed the rapid filling of the excavation. The flow of gas into the burst main was stopped by plugging the branch mains.

## Want Mitchell for Vice President.

Georgetown, Texas, June 10.—Texas is preparing to make the hottest fight she ever put up in a democratic national convention for another State's candidate. "John Mitchell for vice president," is the Texas slogan. Headquarters for the Mitchell league were opened here today. Texas' delegation to Denver is pledged to Bryan. The delegates will also bind themselves to work for Mitchell.

## Fight with Night Riders.

Aberdeen, Ohio, June 10.—Reports have just reached here of a pitched battle between troops and a band of fifteen night riders early today when the soldiers came upon the night riders near the farm of Ephraim Martin, a tobacco planter, where they were destroying the beds. Whether any one was shot is not yet known.

## Floods.

Kansas City, Mo., June 10.—Breaking through all restraints, today, the Kaw river flooded Armourdale and Argentine, and the entire west side bottom. Great damage is reported.

St. Louis, June 10.—After remaining stationary all night the Mississippi river began slowly rising again today.

## The Catholic Church in America.

Rome, June 10.—"If the separation of church and State generally would result in the same profound respect being shown the Catholic church as is the case in America, I would earnestly and quickly ask for such separation everywhere." This was the message that Pope X gave to Bishop Charles F. McDonnell, of Brooklyn, in his farewell audience to that prelate. "The Pope expressed his satisfaction of the condition of the Catholic church in America," said the bishop. "He said the respect shown the church reminded him of the consideration shown a venerable woman in the house of a gentleman."

Kodol is the best known preparation that is offered to the people today for dyspepsia or indigestion or any stomach trouble. Kodol digests all foods. It is pleasant to take. It is sold here by W. F. Creighton & Co.

## Knights of Modern Macabees.

Toledo, Ohio, June 10.—With both warring factions standing pat on their ticket and each side claiming victory by large majorities, the 21st great camp review of the Knights of the Modern Macabees opened its business sessions here today. Both sides are determined to win or lose all by submitting their claims to the delegates.

Bushrod Silcott, a well-known resident of Hamilton, London county, who was recently arrested and convicted for a justice of the peace for violating the Byrd liquor law by giving to a guest a drink of whisky on Sunday, was yesterday released by Judge E. S. Turner, in the Circuit Court. Judge Turner held that the provisions of the law had no application to a case of this kind. The same construction has been put on the law by other Circuit Court judges throughout the State.

A combination of piano manufacturers, including William Knabe & Co., of Baltimore; Chickering & Sons, of Boston, and the Foster-Armstrong Company, of Rochester, N. Y., is announced. The consolidated concern will be incorporated in New Jersey to-day, with a capital stock of \$6,000,000 preferred and \$6,000,000 common.

## LEAGUE BASEBALL GAMES.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.  
St. Louis, 3; Washington, 3.  
New York, 5; Detroit, 3.  
Chicago, 10; Philadelphia, 0.  
Cleveland, 15; Boston, 6.

## HOW THEY STAND.

W. L. Put W. L. Put  
Chicago, 24 29 543 Philadelphia, 22 22 511  
Cleveland, 25 21 543 Detroit, 22 23 459  
St. Louis, 25 21 541 Boston, 21 27 435  
New York, 23 29 535 Washington, 18 27 409

## NATIONAL LEAGUE.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.  
Chicago, 4; Brooklyn, 3.  
New York, 3; Pittsburgh, 2.  
Philadelphia, 7; St. Louis, 0.  
Cincinnati, 5; Boston, 2.

## HOW THEY STAND.

W. L. Put W. L. Put  
Chicago, 27 15 643 Philadelphia, 20 19 513  
Cincinnati, 23 17 595 Boston, 19 22 442  
Pittsburgh, 23 19 548 St. Louis, 19 29 325  
New York, 23 19 535 Brooklyn, 18 28 345

## COURT OF APPEALS.

The Court of Appeals at Wytheville yesterday disposed of the following cases:  
Johnson and Groomet Brothers vs. Bunn and Montero. Argued and submitted.  
Chinchfield Coal Company vs. Bileard and Neal. Dismissed.  
Steinman vs. Hagan. Argued and submitted.  
Steinman vs. Jeter. Argued and submitted.

You are liable to an attack of some form of Bowel Complaint and should provide yourself with the best known remedy, Dr. SETH ARNOLD'S BALM. Warranted by Frank Wardell and Henry Callan.

## IN MEMORIAM.

In loving remembrance of my dear old mother, Mrs. MARY E. WALKER, who died June 10, 1907, one year ago today. May her soul rest in peace.

By HER SON WILL.

## City Council.

There was a brief meeting of the City Council last night. The business transacted was of a routine nature.

## BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The only paper presented in the Aldermen was a petition from Norman L. Williamson asking permission to erect a one-story frame kitchen in the rear of his residence, 126 north Patrick street. The request was granted.

The action of the Common Council on all save one of the papers sent in was concurred in by unanimous votes.

A resolution, introduced by Mr. Ballenger some time ago and referred to the committee on streets providing for the improvement of Oronoco street, between Pitt and St. Asaph, was received from the lower board, that body having recommended the resolution to the committee.

Mr. Ballenger said he did not understand why the lower board should have recommended the resolution. It had been before Council for 18 months.

Mr. Birrell, of the Common Council, who had entered the chamber for the purpose of notifying the Aldermen that the lower board was ready to adjourn was asked to give an explanation. The latter gave as one reason for the recommendation the fact that other resolutions for street improvements ante-dated Mr. Ballenger's for instance, a resolution for the improvement of north Columbus street had been before Council for about two years.

A vote was finally taken, all the members save Mr. Ballenger, voting for a concurrence.

A resolution providing for an expenditure of \$500 for the improvement of Queen street from Henry to Fayette caused a repetition of the debate. It was stated that this square being between two railway tracks, it could be repaired while Fayette street was being improved, the gravel for which the railway company would place on the ground.

The action of the lower board in adopting the resolution was concurred and later the Aldermen adjourned.

## COMMON COUNCIL.

The excitement incident to the general and primary elections of yesterday had the effect of keeping down the attendance at the session of this body last night and only 10 members were present when Council opened.

The first business was the report of the committee on streets in favor of appropriating \$600 to grade and gravel Queen street from Fayette to Henry.

Mr. Leadbeater said Mr. Duke, of the railway company, had promised to furnish gravel provided the city would do the work, and he therefore requested the body to act favorably on the report of the committee.

The report was unanimously adopted. The committee reported favorably the resolution appropriating \$450 to resurface Oronoco street from St. Asaph to Pitt.

Mr. Burke objected to the adoption of the report at this time. He said it was a matter which could easily wait. The other case was different, as the railroad had agreed to furnish the material, but in this the city must bear the entire expense.

Mr. Leadbeater urged the adoption of the report, and stated that the thoroughfare was in bad repair and needed immediate attention. He said it had been before the committee nearly a year and they thought it but fair to improve said street.

The Chair inquired as to whether the committee had any more reports to hand in making appropriations for street work.

Mr. Leadbeater answered in the negative.

Mr. Burke said there were matters to come before Council which required a considerable sum of money and the finance committee were studying conditions to meet the debt falling due next year. He urged caution in the expenditure of money at this time and said he hoped the report would not pass. He moved to postpone action, which he afterwards withdrew, and made a motion to recommitt the report to the committee on streets, which motion was adopted.

A petition for permission to place an arc light at the intersection of Prince and Washington streets, was granted, with the proviso that the gas lamps there would be dispensed with.

A petition for the extension of the gas mains to the Spring Park addition came from the Alexandria Realty Co., and was referred to the committee on light and finance.

A petition from the Columbia Steam Fire Engine Company for an appropriation of \$100 to assist the committee in securing a band to accompany them on their trip to Harrisburg in August to the State Firemen's Association was referred to the committee on finance.